



INUBAKA

CRAZY FOR DOGS

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PLAYING RUFF!

All alone except for her loyal mutt Lupin, 18-year-old Suguri moves from the countryside to the big city to find a job and a new life. In her first job at a pet store, she meets an assortment of quirky dogs and even stranger owners. What she lacks in retail experience, she makes up for through her natural rapport with all things wagging and fluffy!

Things heat up for the Woofles

pet shop when a rival shop opens up across the street. The folks there are "strictly business" and aren't afraid to use dirty tricks to get ahead. In fact, someone at Woofles may not be who they seem!



English Pointer

SITI STAY! READ THIS MANGA!

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CHAPTER 109: PARTING



...AND
THAT SPY
KID AT
WOOPLES.



THE
GUY
FROM
WAN
KAW...



TAK

...BUT
THEY
WON'T
FOOL
ME!!

I DON'T
KNOW
WHAT
THEY'RE
PLOTING
...



HELLO ♡
HOW
ARE
YOU ♡

HEY!
CHIZURU-
CHAN!

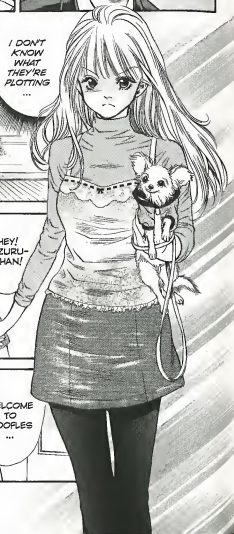


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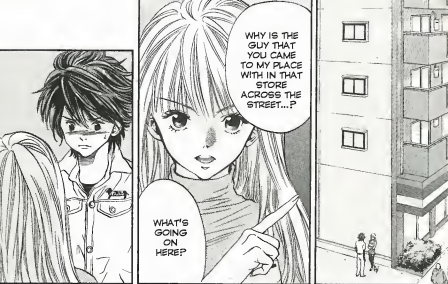
TAK TAK



WELCOME
TO
WOOPLES
...



INUBA^{PA}KA



WHY IS THE
GUY THAT
YOU CAME
TO MY PLACE
WITH IN THAT
STORE
ACROSS THE
STREET...?

WHAT'S
GOING
ON
HERE?

THAT
MAN
IS...

...MY
BOSS...

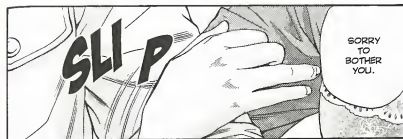


I'M A PRO, SO
I DON'T LIKE
TALKING
ABOUT THINGS
I HEARD AT
WORK OUTSIDE
OF WORK...

WHY ARE
YOU AT
WOOLIES?

BOSS...? P
THEN
SHOULDN'T
YOU BE
WORKING
AT THE
OTHER
STORE?

I CAN'T
JUST
PRETEND
I DON'T
KNOW
ANYTHING.



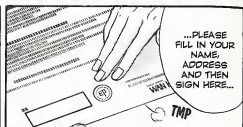
SORRY
TO
BOther
YOU.



I NEED TO
TALK TO HIM
IN PRIVATE...

CHAPTER 109: PARTING









...AS A WOOFLES
STAFF
MEMBER...

...I WON'T
LET YOU
TAKE
MIYAUCHI-
SAN AWAY!

WHAT?



YOU SAID
YOU WERE
DONE WITH
ME, DIDN'T
YOU?

SINCE
WHEN
HAVE
YOU...



I INTENDED ON
HAVING YOU
LEARN THE
ROPE OVER
THERE WHILE I
REACHED MY
GOALS FOR THE
NEXT STAGE.

I DID SAY I
WAS DONE
WITH YOU.
BUT I
NEVER SAID
YOU WERE
FIRED.

YOU
MEAN
YOU
TOOK
THAT
SERI-
OUSLY?



M...
MIKAGE-
KUN?



I WON'T LET
MIYAUCHI-
SAN BETRAY
EVERYONE
AT
WOOFLES.

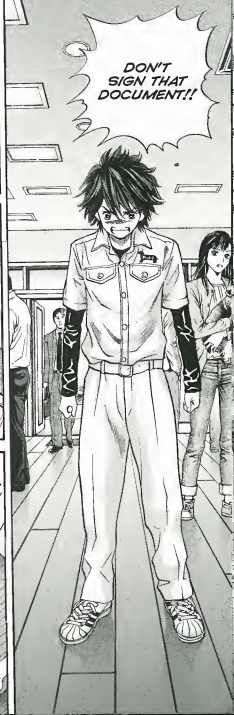


HIKINO-
SAN...

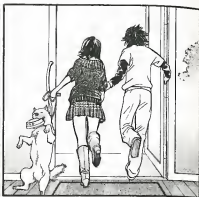
WHAT'S
GOTTEN
INTO
YOU?

IT'S
NONE OF
YOUR
BUSINESS
ANYWAY.

WHAT?
BETRAY
P



**DON'T
SIGN THAT
DOCUMENT!!**



WHAT?!
NO WAY.

BE
QUIET,
DUMMAY.

TEPPEI WAS
WORRIED
THEY MIGHT
STEAL YOU
FROM US...!



WE'RE
BACK!



I COULD
NEVER
WORK
ANYWHERE
BUT
WOOLFES.

YOU'RE
LATE,
SUGURI!



...UN-
FORGIVABLE
...!!

...THE
WAY YOU
TREATED
ME LIKE
AN
OBJECT
IS...

WHETHER
YOU
MEANT IT
AS A
JOKE OR
NOT...



SWOOSH

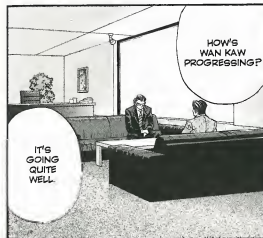
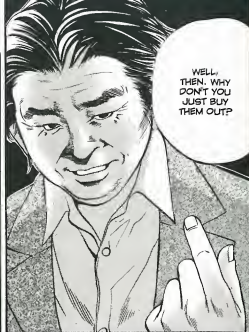


WHAT?
WHAT'S
GOING
ON?

LET'S GO
BACK TO
WOOLFES.
MIYAUCHI-
SAN.



FROM NOW
ON, I WILL
ONLY SEE
YOU AS A
RIVAL AND
FIGHT YOU
TOOTH AND
NAIL!

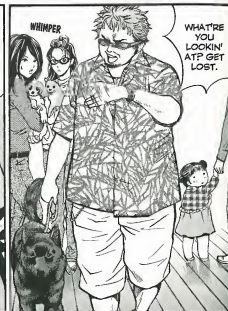




TAKING A PEEK INTO THE SAKURA TEAM WORKSPACE!

HELLO! THIS IS INVESTIGATOR RICEBALL. I'VE DECIDED TO SNEAK INTO THE WORKSPACE OF THE SAKURA TEAM TODAY. IT'S ACTUALLY PRETTY ORGANIZED. (I'M IMPRESSED) IT LOOKS LIKE EVERYONE IS WORKING HAPPILY TOGETHER. THE ATMOSPHERE SEEMS NOT ONLY TO CALL FOR PEOPLE WITH ARTISTIC SKILLS, BUT ALSO FOR PEOPLE WITH A GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR... NOTE THAT THE SENSE IS BEING LAUGHED AT AGAIN FOR MISHEARING THINGS. (LOL) THE STAFF HERE WORKS ABOUT FOUR DAYS A WEEK FROM 10 A.M. TO 10 P.M. ONLY GIRLS ARE ALLOWED TO SPEND THE NIGHT IN THE OFFICE. I'D LOVE TO JOIN THE SLEEPOVER ONE OF THESE DAYS (^.^)...!!





CHAPTER 110: A RUDE CUSTOMER

I WAS JUST SAYING IT LOOKS LIKE A DOBERMAN!!

...I KNOW THAT!

OH, I SEE. I'M SORRY...

HUUH?!

M... MIYAUCHI-SAN...

UMM... THAT LITTLE ONE IS CALLED A MINIATURE PINSCHER, AND...

AH...

THAT'S A SHORT SKIRT. I CAN ALMOST SEE YOUR UNDERWEAR.

SHOOP

MIYAUCHI-SAN...

...I DON'T CARE IF HE'S A CUSTOMER HE CROSSED THE LINE...

OR WHAT? ARE YOU TRYING TO MAKE ME LOOK LIKE AN IDIOT?

30000
AH... NO, I DON'T MEAN IT LIKE THAT...

OH.

LOOK AT ALL THE LITTLE GUYS.

THUD

THUD

YAP YAP

THEY'VE EVEN GOT A TINY LITTLE DOBERMAN.

WOW!



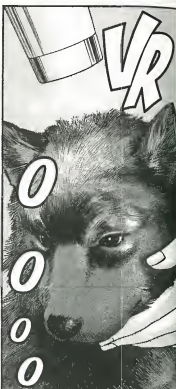


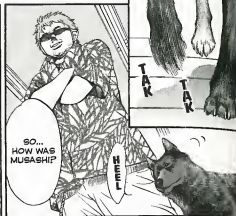
KIRO AZUMA...? AS THIS FORM REVEALS WITH A BLOODY STAIN RESIDUE?

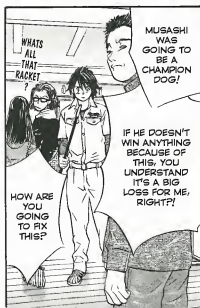
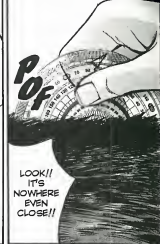
"KIRO" USES THE KANJI FOR ONI, WHICH MEANS DEMON

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THERE WAS
NO WRONG-
DOING ON
OUR PART.



I UNDER-
STAND
YOUR
POINT...

...LET ME
TELL YOU MY
CONCLU-
SION
FIRST.



...WAS HIRED
BY WAN
KAW...?

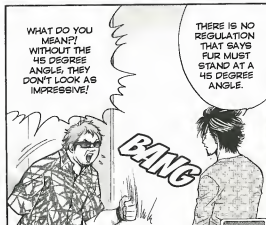
CAUSING
THIS MUCH
COMMOTION
IN THE
STORE,
MAYBE THIS
GUY...



SIR...

WHERE'S
THE
MANAGER
P!

THERE'S
NO USE
TALKING
TO YOU!



WHAT DO YOU
MEAN?
WITHOUT THE
45 DEGREE
ANGLE, THEY
DON'T LOOK AS
IMPRESSIVE!

THERE IS NO
REGULATION
THAT SAYS
FUR MUST
STAND AT A
45 DEGREE
ANGLE.

BANG

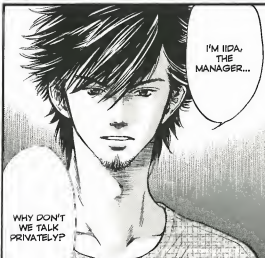


FIRST OF
ALL, ABOUT
THE COAT
OF A KAI
KEN.

WHAT
DID YOU
SAY?



TEPPEI-
SAN...



I'M IIDA,
THE
MANAGER...

WHY DON'T
WE TALK
PRIVATELY?



YOU...



IN FACT, MUSASHI-KUN IS A GREAT FAMILY DOG...

...AND HE SEEMS TO HAVE A STRONG, TRUSTING RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU.



FINE!! I'M NEVER COMING BACK TO THIS STUPID STORE AGAIN!!



I JUST...

...WANT MY CUSTOMERS TO HAVE CORRECT KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THEIR DOGS. THAT'S ALL.



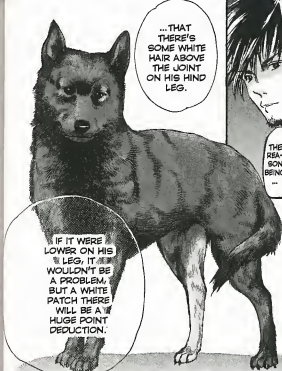
YOU'VE HUMILIATED ME ENOUGH !!

IS THAT ANY WAY TO TREAT A CUSTOMER?



YOU! ARE YOU SAYING MY DOG IS NO GOOD?

NO, NOT AT ALL!



...THAT THERE'S SOME WHITE HAIR ABOVE THE JOINT ON HIS HIND LEG.

THE REASON BEING ...



I THINK IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR MUSASHI-KUN TO WIN A SHOW.

AND QUITE FRANKLY ...



WHAT ...!



KENTARO



CHAPTER 111: MERGER NEGOTIATION...?

RYUSUKE

TEPPEI

MONOKO

SUGURI



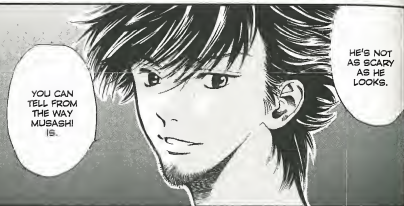
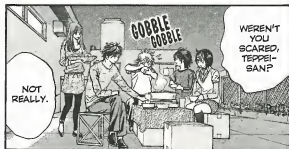
I'M GOING
TO THE
STORE
ACROSS THE
STREET TO
HAVE IT
REDONE!!



THAT MAN
WAS HIRED BY
WAN KAW TO
HARASS THIS
PLACE!!

TEPPEI-SAN...

I KNEW IT.



IF THE CUSTOMERS ARE MISINFORMED, IT'S OUR JOB TO CORRECT THEM.

BUT THERE ARE TIMES WHEN WE JUST CAN'T PUT THE CUSTOMERS FIRST.

THAT'S WHY A PET SHOP...

...MUST AT TIMES CHOOSE THEIR CUSTOMERS.

FOR THAT, EACH STAFF MEMBER HAS TO HAVE PROPER KNOWLEDGE AS WELL.

AND TO HAVE A SOLID UNDERSTANDING OF THE SOCIETY, ENVIRONMENT, AND FUTURE THAT SURROUNDS OUR PETS, SO WE CAN ACT ACCORDINGLY.

IN ANY CASE, I DON'T THINK WE NEED TO BE TOO CONCERNED.

BUT HE SAID HE'D NEVER COME TO WOORLES AGAIN...

HAHA. NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT...

DOES THAT MEAN I'M LIKE LUPIN ...?

I THINK IT APPLIES TO BOTH THE DOG AND THE PERSON IN THIS CASE.

"LOOKS SCARY, BUT IS ACTUALLY A SOFTY."

BUT SINCE HE'S A CUSTOMER, WE CAN'T REALLY TREAT HIM BADLY...

SNIF

THIS ONE'S NINE!

WELL, THAT MAY BE TRUE...

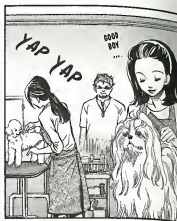
HE'LL COME BACK TO MAKE MORE COMPLAINTS!

YEAH, RIGHT!! HE'LL BE BACK!!

NO WAY! WE'RE GONNA GET YELLED AT AGAIN?



WELCOME!
ARE YOU
INTERESTED
IN A
TRIMMING?



AH...WELL...

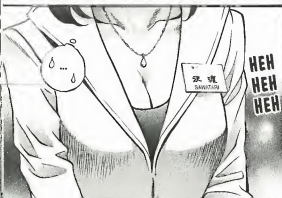
HEY, LADY!
WHERE'S
THE
MANAGER?
I
NEED
TO
TALK
TO
HIM.



WHAT?!



UNFORTU-
NATELY THE
MANAGER IS
OUT AT THE
MOMENT.



HEH
HEH
HEH



MAY I
HELP
YOU?



WELL,
HE WAS
JUST
HERE YES-
TERDAY,
SO...

I WONDER
IF HE'S
GOING
TO COME
TODAY?



THANK
YOU!
COME
AGAIN!

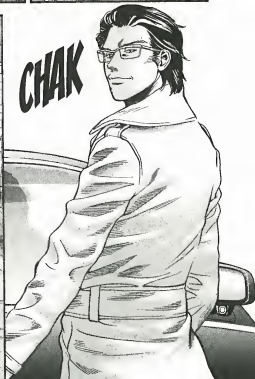
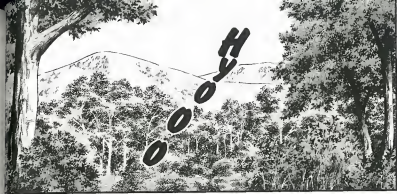
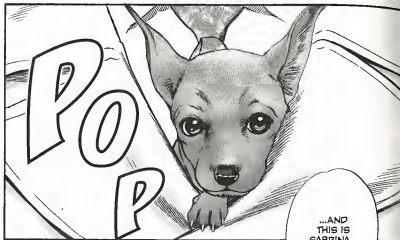


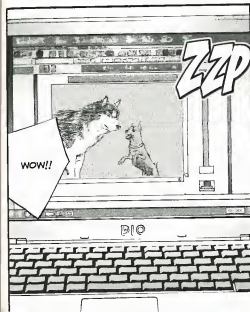
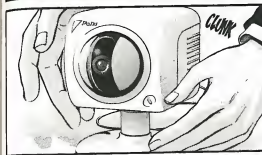
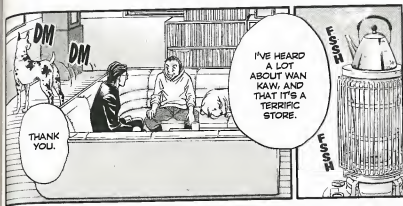
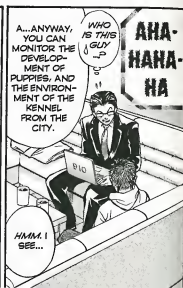
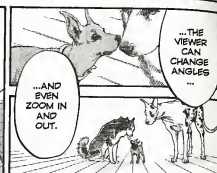
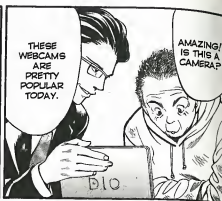
I GUESS HE
REALLY WAS
SOMEHOW
CONNECTED
WITH HIBINO-
SAN...

HE'S
GOING
INTO WAN
KAN...



THAT
GUY...







WITH WAN KAW'S EXTRAORDINARY FACILITIES AND THE STAFF OF WOORLES WORKING TOGETHER, I THINK WE WOULD HAVE A BRIGHT FUTURE.

WE DO NOT WISH TO COMPETE WITH YOU.





...I'LL
BE
BLUNT.

I CAN'T
ACCEPT
YOUR
PROPOSAL!



OWNER
...

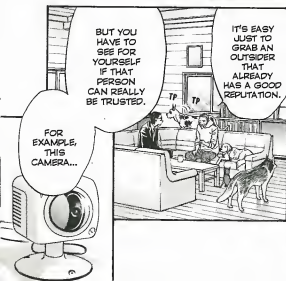


...WHY DON'T
YOU TRAIN
THEM
YOURSELVES?

IF YOU SAY
YOU NEED
PERSONNEL
...

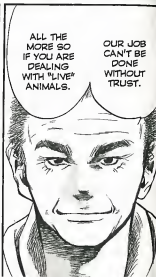


WHAT?



BUT YOU
HAVE TO
SEE FOR
YOURSELF
IF THAT
PERSON
CAN REALLY
BE TRUSTED.

IT'S EASY
JUST TO
GRAB AN
OUTSIDER
THAT
ALREADY
HAS A GOOD
REPUTATION.



ALL THE
MORE SO
IF YOU ARE
DEALING
WITH "LIVE"
ANIMALS.

OUR JOB
CAN'T BE
DONE
WITHOUT
TRUST.



MUSASHI'S
COAT IS
ALL FLAT!!

S...
SIR...



JOLT

WHAT THE
HECK IS
THIS?!



HOW ARE
YOU GOING
TO FIX THIS!
MUSASHI
CAN'T
ENTER A
SHOW LIKE
THIS!

PLEASE
CALM
DOWN,
SIR...



A KAI
KEN'S FUR
HAS TO BE
AT A 45
DEGREE
ANGLE!



I THOUGHT I'D
CHECK THIS
PLACE OUT,
BUT WITH A
CUSTOMER
LIKE THAT
FREQUENTING
IT...

OH, SHEESH.
THEY'VE GOT
A REALLY
NASTY
CUSTOMER
...



OR WHAT?!
YOU WANNA
BE MY DOG
AND GO TO
THE SHOW
INSTEAD?

YOU STILL
EXPECT
ME TO
PAY?!
HUH?!

TERPEI-KUN IS STILL YOUNG AND NEW AT THIS, SO HIS SALES SKILLS STILL NEED SOME WORK, BUT I KNOW HE WILL CREATE A GREAT STORE SOMEDAY.

I WELCOME A RIVAL STORE!

YOU OKAY?

A LITTLE COMPETITION WILL ONLY PUSH HIM HARDER. IT'S GOOD FOR US.

A CHO

LET'S LEAVE IT AT THAT.

WE HAVE OUR WAYS AND YOU HAVE YOURS.

AT TIMES IT'S CALLED UPON FOR US TO CHOOSE OUR CUSTOMERS.

THE CUSTOMERS MAY BE ABLE TO SEE US, BUT WE CAN'T SEE THEM.

FROM TRUST-WORTHY PEOPLE TO TRUST-WORTHY PEOPLE...

WE JUST CAN'T LET THE PRECIOUS DOGS WE RAISED SO CAREFULLY GO TO PEOPLE WE CAN'T TRUST.

LET'S KEEP OUR HEALTHY COMPETITION GOING!

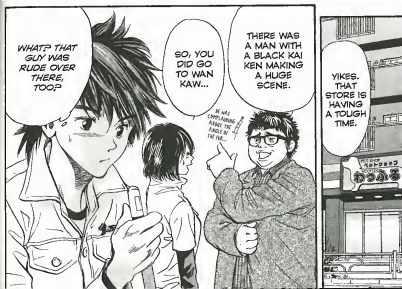
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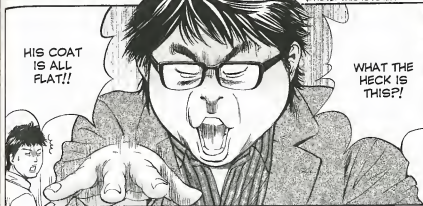
THAT'S WHAT GIVES THE DOGS THE HAPPINESS THEY DESERVE.

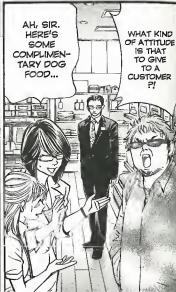
FOR NOW ANYWAY ...

TRUST...
HMM...

CHAPTER 12: TELLING ME NOW...?











WE HAVE
WHAT'S
CALLED A
WEB CAMERA
INSTALLED.

RIGHT
ABOVE
YOUR
HEAD.



FWIP

RIGHT
OVER
THERE.



HA!

OH MY!
OH MY!

THAT CAMERA
ALLOWS PEOPLE
TO SEE INSIDE
THE STORE ON
THE INTERNET
FROM WHEREVER
THEY ARE.



ARGH!

IF
ANYTHING
GETS OUT
OF HAND,
WE CAN
USE IT AS
EVIDENCE.



OBVIOUSLY
EVERYTHING,
INCLUDING
EVERYTHING
YOU DID
JUST NOW...

...IS
RECORDED
AND
SAVED!



SO WHAT ARE
YOU SAYING?
UNLESS
MUSASHI SOILS
THIS PLACE
WITH
DIARRHEA...

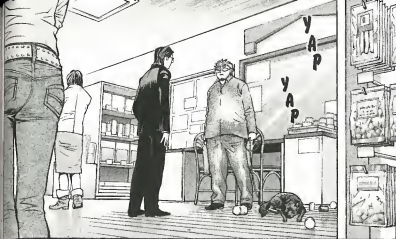
SHUT UP!!
I'VE HAD
ENOUGH
OF THIS!!

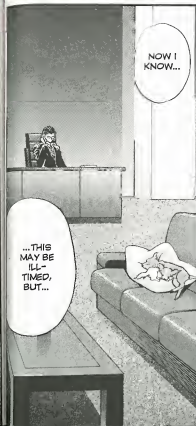
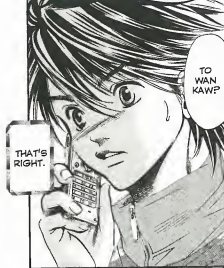


WHAT'S
HAPPEN-
ING?

WHOAH!

...YOU
WON'T
BELIEVE
ME?





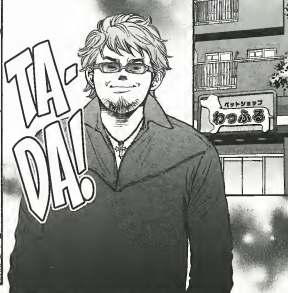


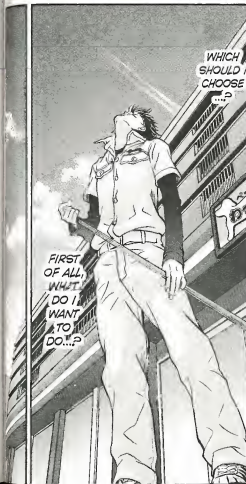
WATCH
WHAT
YOU'RE
DOIN'!!

AND DON'T
FORGET TO
SMILE AT THE
CUSTOMERS!



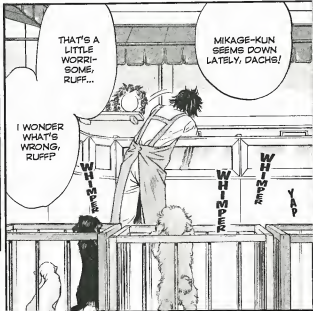
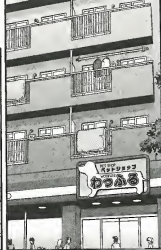
HEY,
PAL...



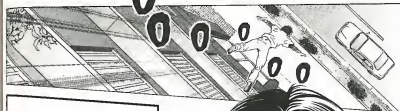


CHAPTER 113: THE GUY STUCK IN BETWEEN











IF I STUDY
HARD AND
PASS THE
VETERINARY
MEDICAL
EXAM...

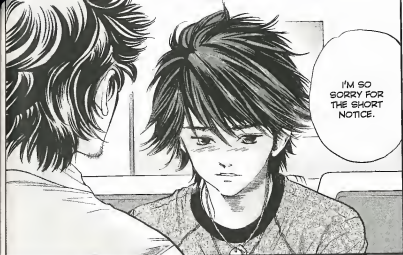
...I THINK I
COULD DO
A LOT
MORE.



YES.

START-
ING
NOW?

A VET
...P



I'M SO
SORRY FOR
THE SHORT
NOTICE.



YEAH...I'M
LEAVING MY
APARTMENT
AND MOVING
BACK TO MY
HOMETOWN...

I SEE. THEN
I GUESS
YOU NEED
TO STUDY
UP.



NO. NOT
AT ALL.

...WAS IT
SOME
THING WE
DID?

YOU SAY
YOU
WANT
TO QUIT,
BUT...



...I WAS
SENT TO
WOOLFLES
AS A WAN
KAW SPY...

I'M
SORRY,
TEPPEI-
SAN...!



...WE WERE
SHORT-
HANDLED, SO
YOU WERE
REALLY A
BIG HELP.

WELL,
YOU'LL BE
MISSED.
HONESTLY
...



AND I'VE
DECIDED
...

...I'M
GOING TO
BE A VET.



BECAUSE OF
WOOLFLES, I
WAS ABLE TO
FIND OUT
WHAT I WAS
REALLY MEANT
TO DO.



IS IT THE CRUMMY SALARY?



YOU'RE QUITTING?



WHAT?

THAT WAS THE DREAM?



OH! I DIDN'T KNOW THAT.

PEOPLE WITH VETERINARY DEGREES DON'T NECESSARILY BECOME PET DOCTORS AT CLINICS.



I'M SORRY BUT IT'S FOR PERSONAL REASONS...

IF YOU'RE GOING TO BE A VET, THEN SOMEDAY YOU'LL BE THE DOGGY DOCTOR...

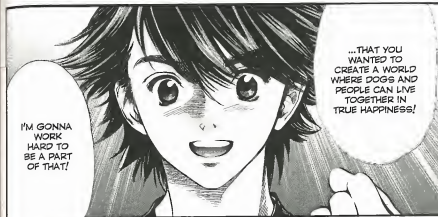


YOU WERE SAYING BEFORE...



I KEPT THIS HIDDEN FROM YOU UNTIL THE END...

I'M REALLY SORRY...



...THAT YOU WANTED TO CREATE A WORLD WHERE DOGS AND PEOPLE CAN LIVE TOGETHER IN TRUE HAPPINESS!

I'M GONNA WORK HARD TO BE A PART OF THAT!



WELL, WE'LL BOTH HAVE TO DO OUR BEST!



YES!



ALL THIS TIME,
YOU WERE
SURROUNDED
WITH ALL
THESE PUPPIES.

IT'LL FEEL
SO EMPTY
GOING
HOME TO
JUST ONE
DOG!!



WHO
WANTS TO
GO WITH
MIKAGE-
KUN?

DON'T
YOU
THINK
SO,
EVERY-
ONE?

...I
DON'T
THINK...



YEAH, WE
ACTUALLY
ALREADY
HAVE ONE.

CAN YOU
HAVE A
DOG AT
YOUR
PARENTS'
PLACE?

SEVEN-
YEAR-
OLD
MIXED
BREED.



I'M GOING
BACK TO MY
HOMETOWN
TO START
FROM THE
BEGINNING
AGAIN.



WHAT?



DON'T
BE
SILLY!

HOLD ON,
I NEVER
SAID
ANYTHING
ABOUT
BRINGING
BACK A
DOG...



I SEE...
THEN...

...THIS WILL
BE YOUR
SECOND
ONE!



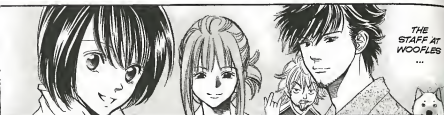
THANKS
SO MUCH
...
EVERYONE...



THIS
ONE IS
SO CUTE.

YOU
HAVE A
BACKYARD
RIGHT? MAYBE A
BIG DOG,
THEN...

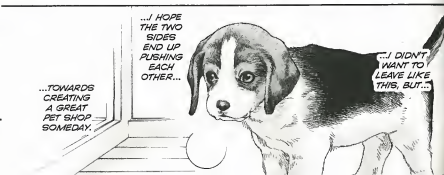
SO WHAT'S
YOUR HOME-
TOWN LIKE?
COULD WARM?



THE
STAFF AT
WOOLFES
...



HIBINO-SAN
AND WAN
KAW...



...I HOPE
THE TWO
SIDE'S
END UP
PUSHING
EACH
OTHER...

...TOWARDS
CREATING
A GREAT
PET SHOP
SOMEDAY.

...I DIDN'T
WANT TO
LEAVE LIKE
THIS, BUT...



YAP

YAP

YAP



WHIMPER

WHIMPER



RYE

HA HA...
THAT'S
IMPRES-
SIVE...

YAP

RYE

LOOK! ALL
THESE GUYS
WANT TO GO
WITH YOU!

YAP



ALL
RIGHT!!

I'LL
TAKE
ONE
HOME!



SHE'S
VERY
PUISHY
...



OKAY
...

HUH?



HMPH...
DEAR WOOFLES



御影

MIKAGE



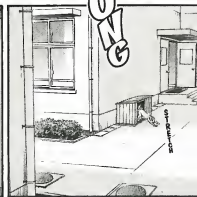
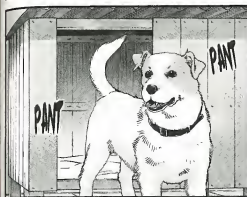
**CRAZY
FOR
DOGS
SENSEI**

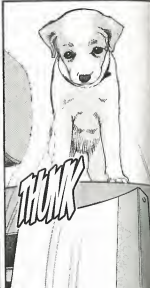
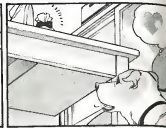
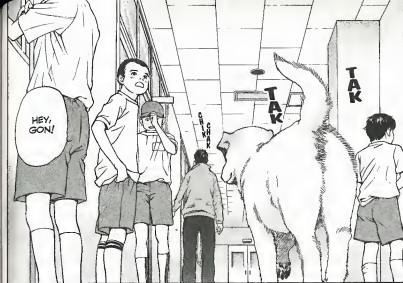
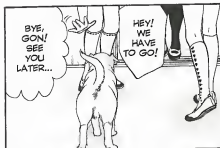
**SUGURI
MIYAUCHI**

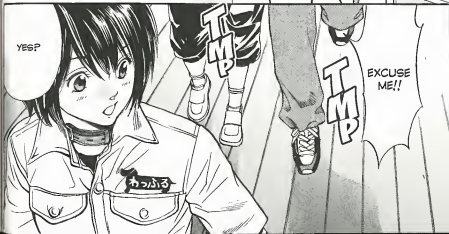
LUPIN

CHAPTER 114: 5TH GRADE CLASSROOM 3.





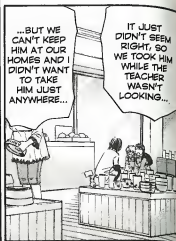






PLEASE!! YOU CAN JUST KEEP HIM TIED IN A CORNER SOMEWHERE!

AT LEAST FOR TODAY! PLEASE!



...BUT WE CAN'T KEEP HIM AT OUR HOMES AND I DIDN'T WANT TO TAKE HIM JUST ANYWHERE...

IT JUST DIDN'T SEEM RIGHT, SO WE TOOK HIM WHILE THE TEACHER WASN'T LOOKING...



WE ASKED THE TEACHERS AND THEY AGREED TO KEEP HIM AT THE SCHOOL.

GON WAS FOUND ABANDONED NEAR OUR SCHOOL ABOUT A MONTH AGO.



HE LOOKS ABOUT FOUR MONTHS OLD, MAYBEP



LUPIN'S HOUSE IS NOT BEING USED ANYWAY...

I THINK IT'S OKAY FOR ONE NIGHT.



ALL RIGHT! THANK YOU, MISS!!

OKAY...I'LL KEEP HIM HERE FOR TODAY...



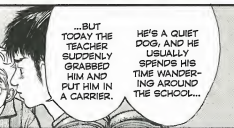
TEPPER-SAN'S NOT HERE WHAT SHOULD I DO...P



BUT WHO CAN REFUSE WHEN THEY LOOK AT YOU LIKE THAT?

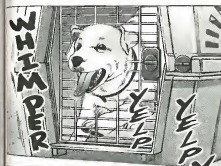


THE TEACHER DID?



...BUT TODAY THE TEACHER SUDDENLY GRABBED HIM AND PUT HIM IN A CARRIER.

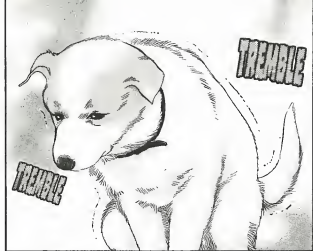
HE'S A QUIET DOG, AND HE USUALLY SPENDS HIS TIME WANDERING AROUND THE SCHOOL...

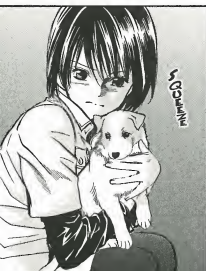


DON'T WORRY. I'M JUST TAKING HIM FOR A CHECK-UP.

WE DON'T WANT HIM TO BE SICK, DO WE?

TEACHER, ARE YOU TAKING GON SOMEWHERE?

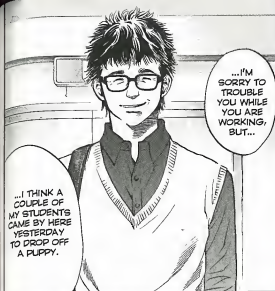






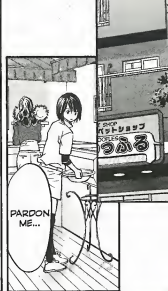
PLEASE
TELL ME
NOW.

WHERE
DID YOU
TAKE HIM?



...I'M
SORRY TO
TROUBLE
YOU WHILE
YOU ARE
WORKING,
BUT...

...I THINK A
COUPLE OF
MY STUDENTS
CAME BY HERE
YESTERDAY
TO DROP OFF
A PUPPY.



PARDON
ME...



...YOU
AREN'T
LOOKING
FOR GON.

YOU...



ISN'T THIS
WHAT YOU
REALLY
CAME HERE
FOR?



WHAT?
OH MY!

GON-KUN
ISN'T HERE
RIGHT
NOW.

IT SEEMS HE
SWALLOWED
SOMETHING
SO WE TOOK
HIM TO
THE VET.



IT'S
HIM?

I'M
SORRY,
IT'S
SOME-
THING
THEY DID
ON THEIR
OWN.



W...WHICH
CLINIC
WAS IT?

DID
SOMETHING
HAPPEN
TO GON?

IT'S
OKAY
...

IF YOU'RE NOT GUILTY OF ANYTHING, THEN YOU'LL HAVE NO PROBLEM EXPLAINING IT!

BUT WE'VE ALREADY CONTACTED YOUR SCHOOL.

...SOMETHING LIKE THIS IN THE STOMACH CAN CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE!

...PUPPIES TEND TO SWALLOW THINGS...

UGH...

QUIT DRAGGING PUPPIES AND CHILDREN INTO YOUR DEPRAVED LIFESTYLE!!

YOU'RE THE LOWEST OF THE LOW!!



GRRRR

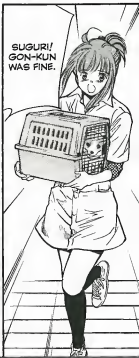
MOMO-CHAN!

SUGURI!! GOM-KUN WAS FINE.



WE'RE NOT GOING TO ASK WHAT THIS IS.

ARF



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WE WILL
NOW
COMMENCE
WITH THE
CEREMONI-
AL FIRST
PITCH.

MS.
SUGURI
MIYAU-
CHI...

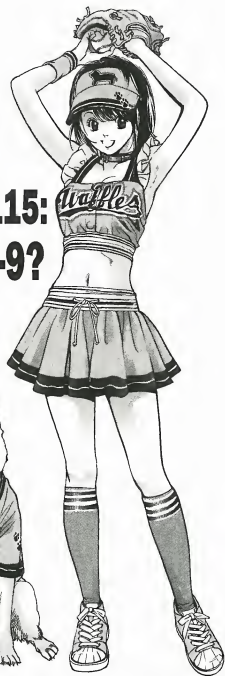
...FROM
PET SHOP
WOOPLES!

TODAY'S
PITCHER
IS...

THP



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HEY, EVERYONE!

AND THE BASE-
BALL DOG
THAT'S
HER
PARTNER IS...

...LUPIN!!
HE'S A
MIXED
BREED!

YA

A

A

Y

A

.....

sloooow

TAKE
THAT!

STEEERIIIIKE!!

AH!

WOOSH!

FLUP

YE

THE
BATTER IS
KURO-
HOSHI
FROM THE
OSAKA BAY
BLUES.

POW

NICE
TO
MEET
YOU!

BOW

SH

H

A





K-9
FREESTYLE
IS A DANCE
WHERE A
PERSON
AND A
DOG...

...DANCE
TOGETHER
AS A TEAM.



DOG
DANCE?

BASICALLY,
IT'S A DOG
DANCE.



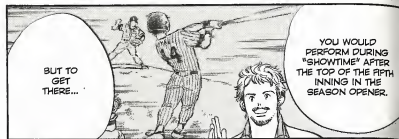
OF
COURSE.
YOU'RE
NOT
GOING
TO JUST
APPEAR
IN IT.

Y...YOU
MEAN I'M
GOING TO
BE IN THAT
CEREMONY?



JUST
IMAGINE IT!
IT COULD
BE A HUGE
PR OPPOR-
TUNITY FOR
WOOLLES!

DON'T
YOU THINK
SO?



BUT TO
GET
THERE...

YOU WOULD
PERFORM DURING
"SHOWTIME" AFTER
THE TOP OF THE FIFTH
INNING IN THE
SEASON OPENER.



WELL, THE
CORRECT
NAME IS
K-9 FREE-
STYLE.

CA...CAN
I DANCE?



EVER
HEARD
OF "K-9
DANCE"?



WHOA!

THAT'S
WHERE YOU
COME IN,
SUGURI!



...FIRST YOU
HAVE TO WIN
THE K-9
FREESTYLE
COMPETITION
HELD JUST
AFTER NEW
YEAR'S.



Canine



K-9

"CANINE"
IS SOME-
TIMES
NOTATED
AS "K-9".

CANINE IS
A TERM IN
ENGLISH FOR
THE DOG
SPECIES.



NO, NO.
THAT'S
NOT WHAT
IT MEANS.

CAN I? CAN I? BOOM BOOM



HIT IT!



O...
OKAY!



WITH THIS
MINIATURE
POODLE, MARRIE,
I'LL GIVE YOU A
LITTLE EXAMPLE OF
WHAT DOG
DANCE IS.



M...
ME?

WHAT
DO YOU
THINK
TEPPEI?

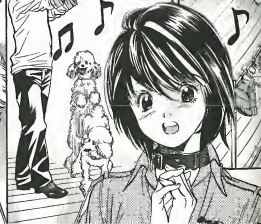
I THINK YOU
COULD TAKE
ANOTHER ONE
FOR TEAM
WOOFLES!



YOU ALREADY
HAVE THE
AGILITY
COMPETITION
CHAMPION-
SHIP UNDER
YOUR BELT.



MINI-...



THIS'LL
KEEP WAN
KAW ON
THEIR TOES,
TOO.

WE HAVE TO
KEEP ONE
STEP AHEAD
OF THEM OR
WE WON'T
SURVIVE.



TEPPEI-
CHAN.
PLAY
THIS!

FWIP

WELL, I
GUESS
YOU'VE GOT
A POINT,
BUT...



HOW DO
YOU COME
UP WITH
THIS STUFF,
ANYWAY?

YOU SURE
LOVE TO
GO ALL
OUT.

HEY, YOU
JUST GOTTA
GET OUT
THERE!

HANG ON A SECOND, SHOW-SAN. WE CAN'T DO IT.

SUGURI AND LUPIN DANCING AS ONE WILL MESMERIZE THE AUDIENCE!

WELL, WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?! LET'S START TRAINING RIGHT AWAY!

I UNDERSTAND, BUT WE CAN'T WASTE AN OPPORTUNITY LIKE THIS...

WE'RE ALREADY SHORT-HANDED AND EXTREMELY BUSY!

I CAN'T HAVE HER MISSING WORK FOR PRACTICE AND STUFF LIKE SHE DID FOR THE AGILITY CONTEST!!

THAT'S SO COOL!

WOW! SHE'S CIRCLING BETWEEN HIS LEGS AS HE WALKS!

WELL, IF YOU HAD AN OKAY GRADE IN P.E. YOU SHOULD BE FINE.

AFTER ALL, YOU HAD THE STAMINA TO WIN THE AGILITY COMPETITION.

HE'S FEELING HER IN AGAIN...

LUPIN, YOU CAN'T WALK BETWEEN MY LEGS, CAN YOU?

...I'M NOT SURE IF LUPIN CAN KEEP TIME WITH MUSIC...

I DON'T MIND TRYING, BUT...

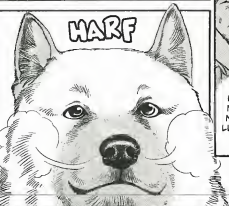
DON'T YOU WANT TO TRY IT, TOO, SUGURI?

UH, NO, NOT LUPIN...

HARF

WELL, THAT'S KIND OF HOW IT GOES. LOOKS FUN, DOESN'T IT?

...YES, BUT...



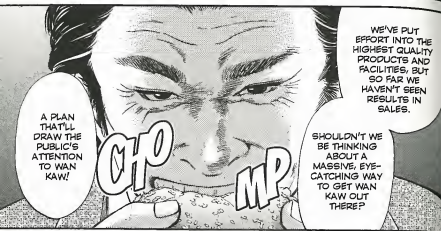




YES, SIR.



YOU KNOW I'VE INVESTED AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT INTO WAN KAW... DON'T YOU, HIBINO-KUN?



A PLAN THAT'LL DRAW THE PUBLIC'S ATTENTION TO WAN KAW!

WE'VE PUT EFFORT INTO THE HIGHEST QUALITY PRODUCTS AND FACILITIES, BUT SO FAR WE HAVEN'T SEEN RESULTS IN SALES.

SHOULDN'T WE BE THINKING ABOUT A MASSIVE, EYE-CATCHING WAY TO GET WAN KAW OUT THERE?



...I HEARD SOMETHING INTERESTING FROM A SALESMAN AT ONE OF OUR DOG FOOD PROVIDERS...



SAWA-TARI-KUN DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS?

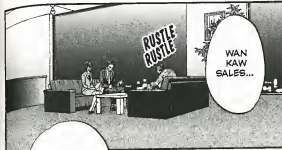
WELL...I DON'T KNOW IF IT WOULD HELP BUT...



WANT A BITE? HAHM, THE RUMORS WERE TRUE, THIS BURGER IS REALLY GOOD.



PR, EH...?



WAN KAW SALES...



...AREN'T GROWING QUITE LIKE WE HOPED, ARE THEY, HIBINO-KUN...?

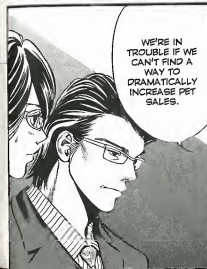


KAW KAW HEAD-QUARTERS



H...HOWEVER, ALTHOUGH IT'S SLOW, OUR CUSTOMERS ARE INCREASING STEADILY, PARTICULARLY IN THE TRIMMING SERVICE...

YES, I'M TERRIBLY SORRY.



WE'RE IN TROUBLE IF WE CAN'T FIND A WAY TO DRAMATICALLY INCREASE PET SALES.



SALES OF ACTUAL PETS IS WHAT WE NEED!

WE'RE MORE INTERESTED IN CREATING A BUSINESS THAT WE CAN TAKE ONLINE!

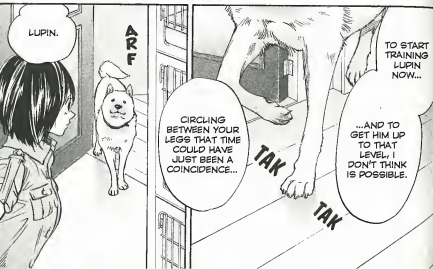
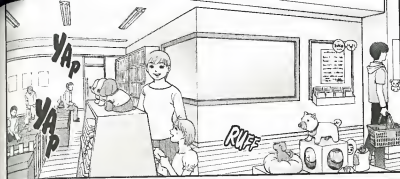
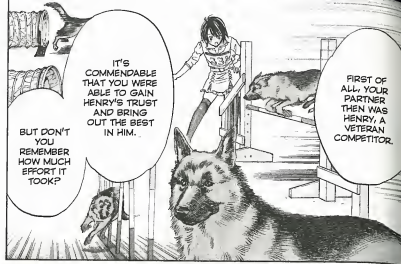
THAT'S OF LITTLE USE TO US.

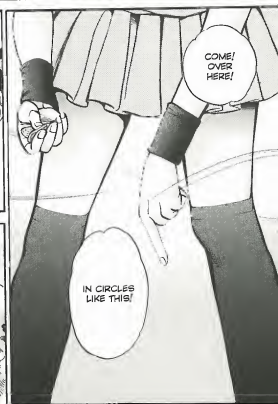
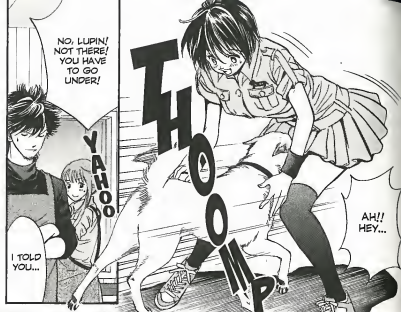


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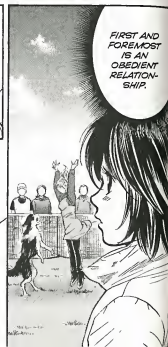
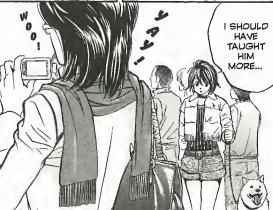
IF YOU ARE GOING TO DO IT,
GIVE IT YOUR BEST!













SHE SURE IS!

I'M JUST WATCHING.

UM... WELL...



...WHAT? YOU'RE NOT THINKING ABOUT GETTING INTO THIS YOURSELF, ARE YOU?



OH... SO HE'S THE SHOW KANAKO I HEARD ABOUT...



WHO ARE YOU?

SHE'S GOING TO COMPETE... IS THERE PROBLEM?

SHOW-SAN!



I MUST SAY...



THAT TAKES PATIENCE...

...WE ARE CURRENTLY IN SEARCH OF THE MOST TALENTED PERSON TO WIN THE COMPETITION FOR US!



SO, YOU'RE FROM WAN KAW...



HEY! THAT'S WAN KAW'S...



OH...



I'M JUST TRYING TO GET AN IDEA OF WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT...

...AH. NO, WE ARE JUST WATCHING TODAY.



...ARE YOU GUYS TRYING FOR THE SPOT IN THE TOKYO HOUNDS OPENING CEREMONY, TOOP?

DON'T TELL ME...

WHAT?



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN K-9 FREE-STYLE?

YOU'RE FROM WOOFLES. WHAT A COINCIDENCE MEETING HERE!

AH... HELLO...





PLEASE
LET ME
DO THIS.

I'M
GOING
TO WIN
FOR SURE!!



...TSK.



YOU
HAVE TO
WIN!!

IF YOU'RE
GONNA DO
IT, GIVE IT
ALL YOU
GOT!



I GUESS
I'LL
START
LOOKING
FOR
STAFF
AGAIN...

LUPIN!
WE HAVE
WORK TO
DO!

TH...THANK
YOU SO
MUCH!!



THEY SAID
WE'RE THE
NEAREST
THING
AVAILABLE!

TEPPEI-
SAN,
AREN'T
YOU
FURIOUS?

THEY'RE
TOTALLY
LOOKING
DOWN ON
US!!

HUH?



ARRRRGH!

CALM
DOWN!
WAN KAW
REALLY
SAID
THAT?

I'M SO
UPSET,
AND
ANGRY
AND...!!



I HAVE TO
WIN FOR
WOOFLES'
SAKE!

BEING AT
THE STORE IS
IMPORTANT,
TOO, BUT I
CAN'T STAY
HERE AND DO
NOTHING WHILE
THEY MAKE
THEIR MOVE!!



**CHAPTER 117:
BLACK SHIP**



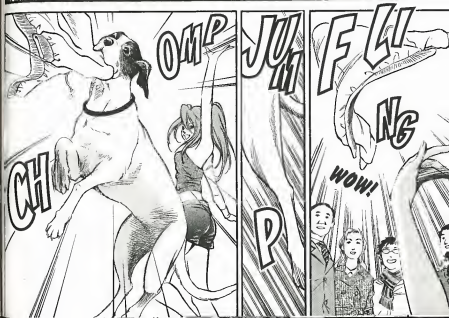
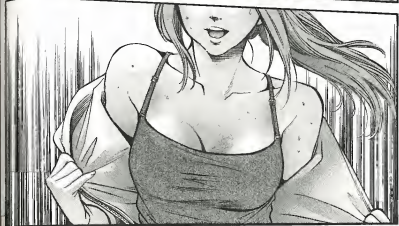
I THINK I
FOUND THE
GOLDEN
PAIR!!
AH MY
FINGERS!

B
B
M
P



THIS IS...
MAGNIFI-
CENT!

B
B
M
P





MY
DANCING?

I KNOW!!
MAYBE YOU
COULD
COME BY
THE STORE
SOMETIME?

I'D LIKE
TO SHOW
YOUR
DANCING
TO MY
BOSS!!



AND BRING
YOUR DOG,
TOO!

HERE'S A
MAP TO THE
STORE! YOU
CAN COME
ANYTIME, BUT
PLEASE COME
BY SOON!

OKAY
...



HIBINO-
SAN WILL
BE VERY
PLEASSED
WITH THIS.



IF WE
COULD GET
HER, WE'D
WIN FOR
SURE!

WOOFLES,
WHO JUST
SETTLED FOR
THE NEAREST
THING
AVAILABLE,
WON'T
STAND A
CHANCE!

BOOM

BOOM



BOOM

YES...

YES!

BOOM



Y...YOU
WERE
DOING
DOG
DANCING
JUST NOW,
RIGHT?

DOG
DANCING?



WEN
COULD
THAT
BE...?

JUST A
DANCE?



OH, I'M
SORRY.
I'M FROM
WAN
KAW...

WHO
ARE
YOU?



K...
KE
NINE?

WHAT'S
THAT?



GLUG

IT WAS
JUST
DANCING.



ANYWAY, I
HAVE BEEN
LOOKING FOR
SOMEONE
THAT CAN
DANCE WITH
DOGS!

YOU ARE SUCH
A WONDERFUL
DANCER, I WAS
WONDERING IF
I COULD ASK
YOU TO DO
SOMETHING...



...H
...HENRY?



Y...
YOU
MEAN

TP

TP



THIS IS
HENRY'S
OWNER.

HI! I'M
FURIYA.



R...
REALLY?

SHE
VOLUNTEERED
TO BE YOUR
COACH!!



REMEMBER
ME? I HAVEN'T
SEEN YOU
SINCE THE
AGILITY
COMPETITION!



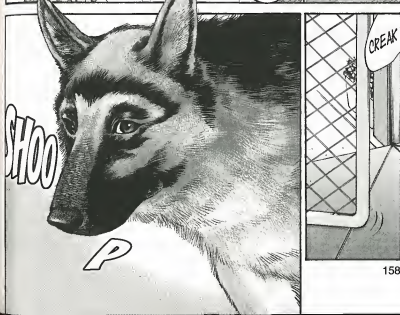
UNFORTUNATELY,
THERE AREN'T
MANY
SPECIALISTS IN
JAPAN, YET.

WELL, IT'S BEST
TO HAVE A
TRAINER THAT
SPECIALIZES IN
K-9 FREESTYLE.



COME IN,
COACH!

...BUT WE HAVE A
COACH WHO CAN
GIVE YOU SOME
IMPORTANT TIPS
ON OBEDIENCE
BASICS...



SHOO

P



UH
HEH--
HEH...

DOESN'T
SEEM
LIKE IT!!



UMMM
...



CAN HE DO
BASICS,
LIKE "SIT",
AND "GET
DOWN"...?

OKAY, SO
LUPIN
LISTENS TO
YOUR
COMMANDS,
RIGHT?

HMP



AND SOMETIMES,
DOGS CAN TEACH
EACH OTHER MORE
EFFECTIVELY THAN
WHAT HUMANS CAN
TEACH THEM, SO
HENRY WILL HELP
US TRAIN.

D...DON'T WORRY,
AS LONG AS YOU
HAVE A STRONG
AND TRUSTING
RELATIONSHIP,
IT'S NOT
IMPOSSIBLE.



OTHER-
WISE...

FROM NOW ON,
YOU HAVE TO
LOOK STRAIGHT
INTO SUGURI'S
EYES AND DO
WHAT EXACTLY
AS SHE SAYS.

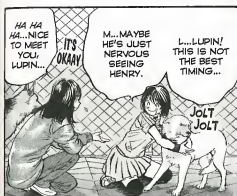


THAT'S
RIGHT,
LUPIN.

HENRY,
TOO?!
LUPIN!
YOU HAVE
TO DO A
GOOD
JOB!



...COORWAH



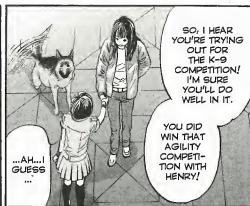
HA HA
HA...NICE
TO MEET
YOU,
LUPIN...

IT'S
OKAY

M...MAYBE
HE'S JUST
NERVOUS
SEEING
HENRY.

L...LUPIN!
THIS IS NOT
THE BEST
TIMING...

JOLT
JOLT



SO WHERE
IS YOUR
PARTNER?

...AH...I
GUESS
...

SO, I HEAR
YOU'RE TRYING
OUT FOR
THE K-9
COMPETITION!
I'M SURE
YOU'LL DO
WELL IN IT.

YOU DID
WIN THAT
AGILITY
COMPETITION
WITH HENRY!

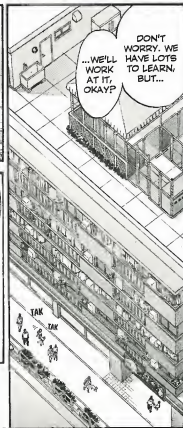
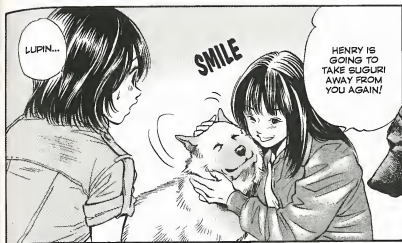


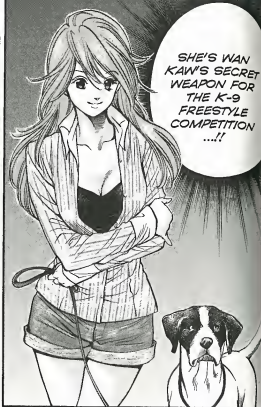
INTRE OWNER...

ARG

LUPIN!!

AWW
MAN!







WAN KAW,
ACROSS
THE
STREET.

THE
MIHO-SAN
YOU'RE
LOOKING
FOR IS IN
THAT
STORE.



WHAT?!

LOOK, I'LL
BE
STRAIGHT
WITH YOU.
YOU'VE
COME TO
THE WRONG
STORE.

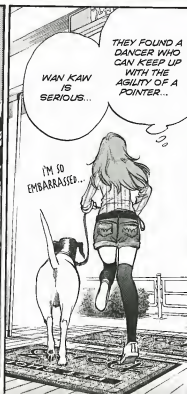


POINTERS
ARE GENUINE
HUNTING
DOGS, BUT
THEY'RE ALSO
VERY FRIENDLY
AND PLAYFUL.

THEY HAVE
INCREDIBLE
STAMINA TOO.
SO DEPENDING
ON HOW YOU
TRAIN THEM,
THEY CAN BE
PERFECT FOR
DOG DANCING.



MAYBE
...



WAN KAW
IS
SERIOUS...

THEY FOUND A
DANCER WHO
CAN KEEP UP
WITH THE
AGILITY OF A
POINTER...

I'M SO
EMBARRASSED...



I'M SO
SORRY. I
MADE A
MISTAKE.

WAN...
YOU'RE
RIGHT!
THAT
STARTS
WITH A
"W", TOO...



I'M
YASMIN!

I SEE
...

...BY
THE
WAY, MAY I
ASK
YOUR
NAME?



UM...
YAS-
MIN--
SAN...

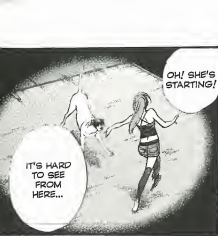
YASMIN...
A
FOREIG-
NERP



MY STYLE
IS BREAK
DANCING!

I DANCE WITH
CARLOS
SOMETIMES,
BUT IT'S
NOT DOG
DANCING.

WHEN I WAS
DANCING
OUTSIDE
THE TRAIN
STATION,
MIHO-SAN
CAME TO
TALK TO
ME...



OH! SHE'S STARTING!

IT'S HARD
TO SEE
FROM
HERE...



IS SHE
"HALP"? SHE
COULD BE A
YOUNG
JUMP
MODEL...

SH...
SHE'S
REALLY
SEXY-
CUTE!!

I DIDN'T
ASK IF
SHE
WAS
SEXY-
CUTE!

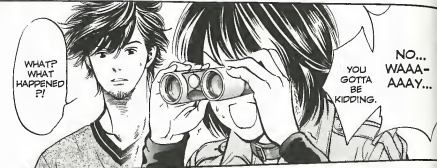


YUP, A GIRL
WITH AN
ENGLISH
POINTER
CAME BY OUR
STORE BY
MISTAKE
JUST NOW.

WAN
KAW'S
RECRUIT?



SUGURI!
I'M SORRY
TO BUG
YOU
DURING
PRACTICE,
BUT...



WHAT?
WHAT
HAPPENED
?!

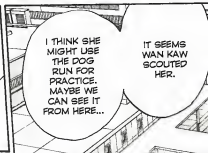
YOU
GOTTA
BE
KIDDING.

NO...
WAAA-
AAA...!



DO YOU
SEE A GIRL
ABOUT
YOUR AGE?

AH! IS
THAT
THE
POINTER
... ?



I THINK SHE
MIGHT USE
THE DOG
RUN FOR
PRACTICE.
MAYBE WE
CAN SEE IT
FROM HERE...

IT SEEMS
WAN KAW
SCOUTED
HER.



LET ME
SEE.

WAAH



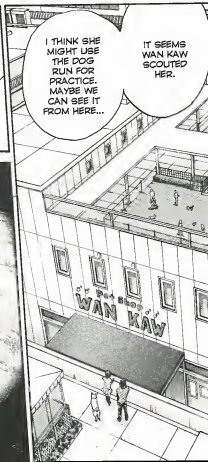
I WON'T
HAVE A
CHANCE!!

NBODY
TOLD ME
I'D HAVE
TO
COMPETE
AGAINST
THAT
KIND OF
TALENT!

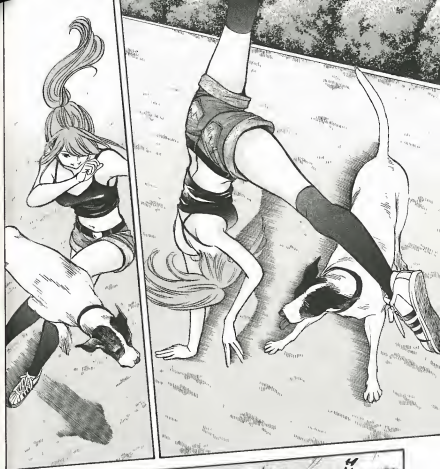
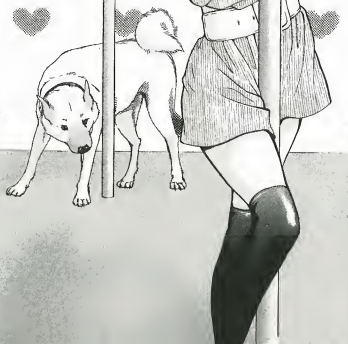


YEAH.
THAT
MIGHT BE
HER...

OH!



CHAPTER 118:
CAN I
JUMP
THIS?



*THIS REFERS TO THE COMING OF COMMODORE PERRY OF THE U.S. NAVY AND THEIR BLACK SHIPS. IN 1849 THEY OPENED JAPAN, WHICH HAD BEEN A CLOSED COUNTRY TO THE WEST. THE TERM "BLACK SHIPS" IS ALSO SOMETIMES USED TO DESCRIBE OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE OR FOREIGN INTRUSION.



AFTER
SEEING AN
INCREDIBLE
DOG DANCE
LIKE THAT...

...I JUST
DON'T
THINK I
CAN
DO IT.



EVEN IF
LUPIN
LEARNS
EVERY-
THING...

...I'M NOT
SURE IF
I CAN
LEARN TO
DANCE
WELL
ENOUGH.



IT'S
USELESS

...I CAN'T
DO IT...



I DON'T HAVE
RHYTHM...OR
CAN'T FEEL
IT, ANYWAY...

OF COURSE,
RHYTHM
IS AN
IMPORTANT
FACTOR,
BUT...

THE MOST
IMPORTANT
THING IN
K-9 FREE-
STYLE IS
NOT THE
TYPE
OF DANCE
YOU DO.



MAYBE...I
SHOULD TAKE
SOME KIND OF
DANCING
LESSONS...

AHH,
WHAT AM I
GOING TO
DO ABOUT
THIS
RHYTHM
THING...?



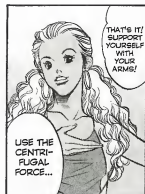
BUT...

LUPIN SEEMS
TO BE A FAST
LEARNER, AND
I'M SURE HE'LL
MASTER
EVERYTHING.



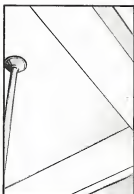
THAT'S RIGHT,
SUGURI-CHAN!
YOU HAVE
YOUR OWN
UNIQUENESS
TO WORK WITH!

DON'T
GIVE UP
SO FAST.



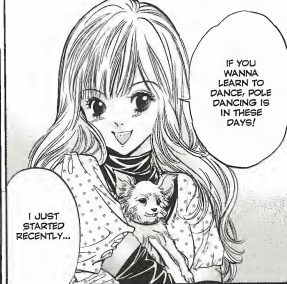
THAT'S IT!
SUPPORT
YOURSELF
WITH
YOUR
ARMS!

USE THE
CENTRI-
FUGAL
FORCE...



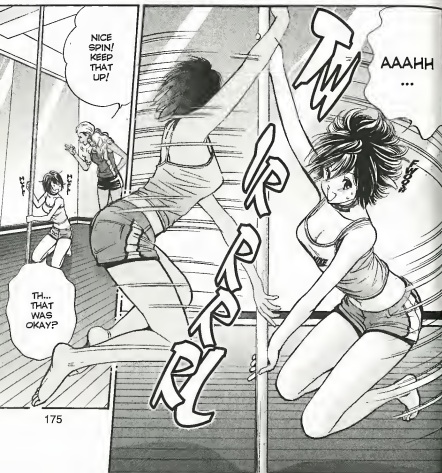
P...POLE
DANCING
?

YOU'VE
NEVER
HEARD OF IT?
IT'S POPULAR
AMONG
WESTERN
CELEBRITIES.
TOO.



IF YOU
WANNA
LEARN TO
DANCE, POLE
DANCING IS
IN THESE
DAYS!

I JUST
STARTED
RECENTLY...



NICE
SPIN!
KEEP
THAT
UP!

AAAHH
...

TH...
THAT
WAS
OKAY?



IMPACT...



IT TAKES A
LOT OF
STAMINA, BUT
YOU CAN
LEARN TO
MOVE MORE
FEMININELY
AND TONE
YOUR BODY.

ABOVE ALL,
IT HAS A
HUGE
IMPACT!



CHIZURU-
CHAN! I WANT
TO KNOW
HOW TO
DANCE WITH
IMPACT!

REALLY? YOU
WANT TO GO
TO A CLASS
WITH ME?



FINISH!

LOWER
YOUR
HIPS!!

TWITCH

TWITCH



DESPERATE!!



DON'T BE
SHY, BE
CONFIDENT!

OTHERWISE
IT'S
IMPOSSIBLE
TO REALLY
SHINE ON
STAGE.

Wow!

THIS APPLIES
TO ANY KIND
OF DANCING,
BUT YOU
HAVE TO
KEEP IN MIND
THAT THIS IS
A SHOW.



R...
REALLY
P

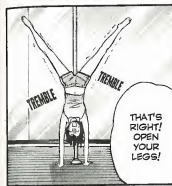
OKAY!!
THAT WAS
A GREAT
JOB FOR A
BEGINNER...



EYES
OVER
HERE!

BRING
UP YOUR
RIGHT
LEG!

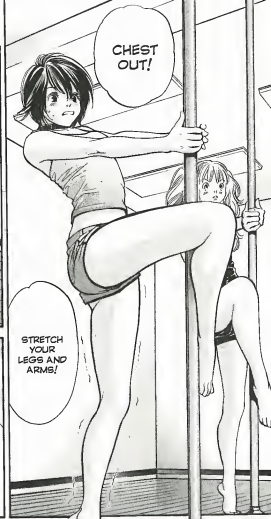
SOFTLY



TREMBLE

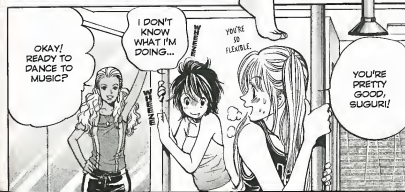
TREMBLE

THAT'S
RIGHT!
OPEN
YOUR
LEGS!



CHEST
OUT!

STRETCH
YOUR
LEGS AND
ARMS!

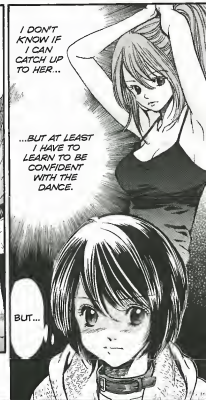
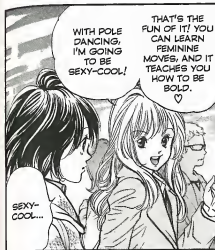


OKAY!
READY TO
DANCE TO
MUSIC?

I DON'T
KNOW
WHAT I'M
DOING...

YOU'RE
SO
FLEXIBLE

YOU'RE
PRETTY
GOOD,
SUGURI!







ON THE
OTHER
HAND...



...IT LOOKS
LIKE
THEY'RE
A LONG
WAY...

...FROM
BEING
ABLE TO
DANCE...



I CAN USE
THIS PLACE
ANY TIME
I WANT?

WHAT?



I GUESS...IF
HE COULD
POOP EVERY
TIME YOU
TOLD HIM TO
IT'D BE AN
IMPRESSIVE
TRICK...

HEY! WHY
AREN'T YOU
DOING WHAT
I ASKED?!!



POOP
POOP
POOP



WHAAT
?!



BUT IF HE
POOPS
DURING
THE
COMPETITION...

...YOU'LL BE
DISQUALIFIED
RIGHT THEN
AND THERE!

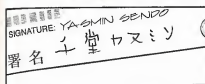
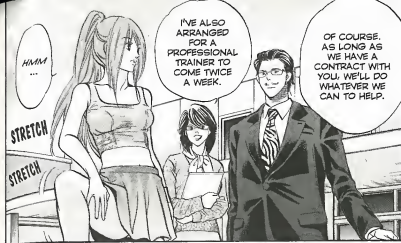
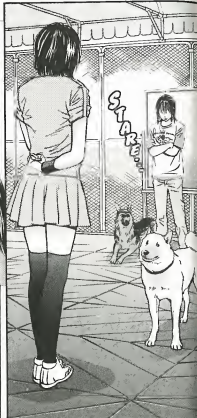
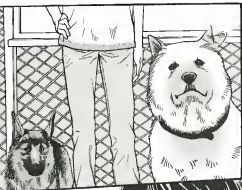
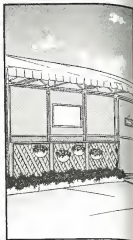


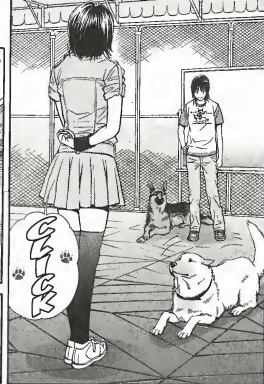
YES.
I'M SO
SORRY.



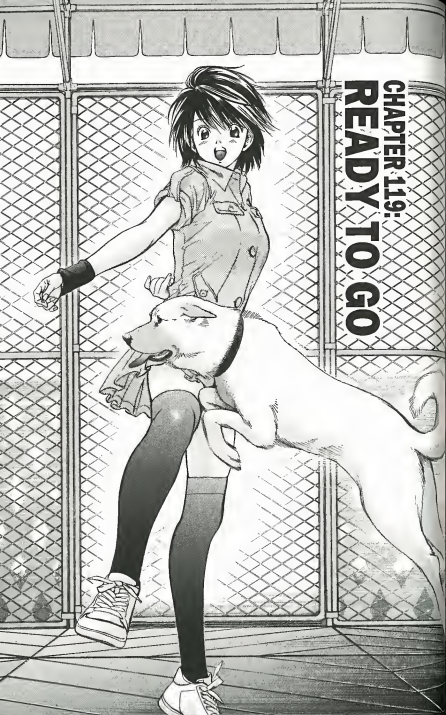
HE IS
POTTY-
TRAINED,
RIGHT?

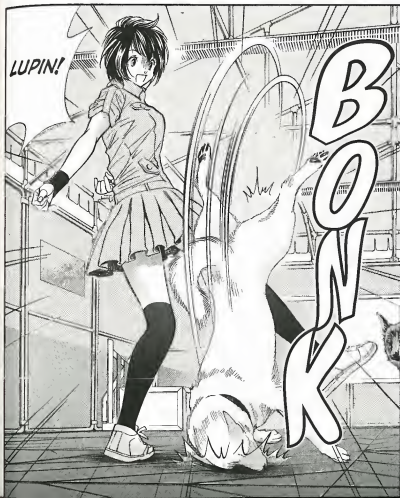
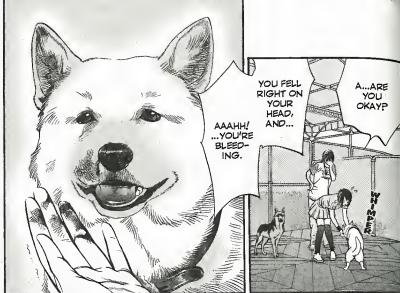
FROM NOW
ON, YOU
SHOULD
HAVE LUPIN
GO TO THE
BATHROOM
BEFORE
PRACTICE.



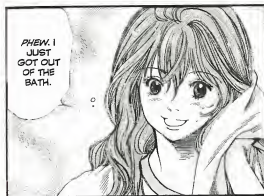
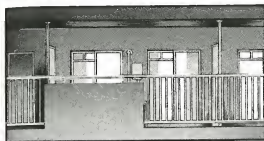
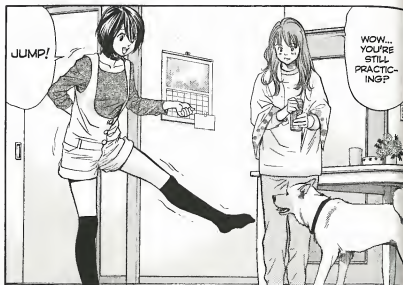


CHAPTER 119:
READY TO GO







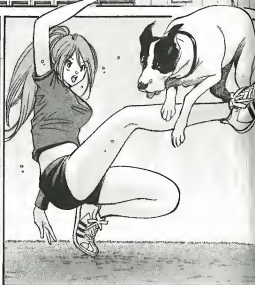




IT'S INCREDIBLE.

SHE COULD EASILY LAND A TOP POSITION IN THE COMPETITION WITH WHAT SHE'S GOT NOW.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF HER DANCING?



SURE!

YASMIN-CHAN. CAN I HAVE A MOMENT?



TRAINER?

THIS IS NISHINA-SAN, WHO WILL BE TRAINING YOU FROM NOW ON.



...BUT IT'S UNUSUAL TO SEE A HOUND LIKE A POINTER DANCE.

ALTHOUGH, I DO BELIEVE THAT ANY DOG CAN SHINE WITH THE PROPER TRAINING.



DON'T WORK HIM TOO HARD.

DID YOU SEE IT, MOMO-CHAN? LUPIN CAN DO IT TOO, IF HE PUTS HIS MIND TO IT.



ARE

IT'S FINE! LET'S TRY THAT ONE MORE TIME!



LUPIN! YOU DID IT!

MUNCH MUNCH

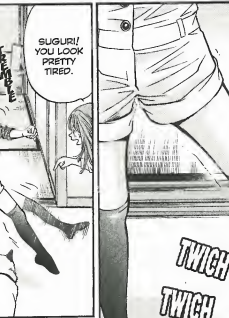


JUMP!

DON'T WORRY. I'M FINE...

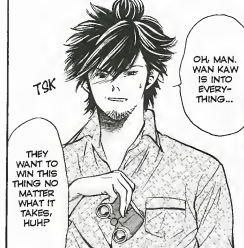
CLAT

IS SHE REALLY OKAY ...?



SUGURI! YOU LOOK PRETTY TIRED.

TWICH TWICH



TSK

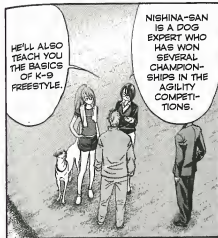
THEY
WANT TO
WIN THIS
THING NO
MATTER
WHAT IT
TAKES,
HUHP

OH, MAN.
WAN KAW
IS INTO
EVERY-
THING...



WAIT A
MINUTE
...

WHAT'S
NISHINA
DOING
THERE?



HE'LL ALSO
TEACH YOU
THE BASICS
OF K-9
FREESTYLE.

NISHINA-SAN
IS A DOG
EXPERT WHO
HAS WON
SEVERAL
CHAMPION-
SHIPS IN THE
AGILITY
COMPETI-
TIONS.



I'M
NISHINA.
NICE TO
MEET YOU.



AND LUPIN,
WHO HAD
NOTHING
BUT A BIG
APPETITE
BEFORE,
STARTED
MASTERING
TRICKS.



THE
AMATEUR
DUO OF
SUGURI
AND LUPIN
CONTINUED
TO
PRACTICE
DAILY.



WOOFLES
SUGURI
MYAUCHI.



...BUT WE'RE
PREPARED
TO
CHALLENGE
THEM WITH
OUR SKILL
LEVEL!

WOOFLES
ACROSS THE
STREET IS
ENTERING
THIS
COMPETITION
WITH ONE OF
THEIR STAFF
AND HER
MUTT...



I BELIEVE
THEY'RE
GOING TO
BE A GOOD
OPPONENT...

HUH.



THE ONLY
HANDLER WHO
WAS ABLE TO
BEAT ME...

...BUT
SHE'S
USING A
MUTT?



THE MOST
IMPORTANT
THING WAS
THAT LUPIN
WAS
ENJOYING
HIS TRAINING,
BUT...



WHAT?
YOU'RE
SERIOUS?

YEAH. LUPIN
IS BRINGING
THE CLICKER
TO HER,
EVEN AT
HOME...



YAP YAP

RUFF



...LIKE THAT,
UNTIL SHE'S
COMPLETELY
EXHAUSTED.

PASS THE
CLICKER.

OKAY. WE'LL
DO IT ONE
MORE TIME
TO MAKE
SURE.



THAT'S
NO GOOD.

I THINK
I BETTER
STEP IN...



SHE'S
SUBMITTING TO
LUPIN'S PACE,
AS IF THEIR
ROLES HAD
REVERSED.
I'M A LITTLE
CONCERNED
...

HMM.



...I
PRACTICED
SO MUCH
AT HOME...

THIS
CAN'T
BE...

WHAT?
YOU'RE
PRACTIC-
ING AT
HOME,
TOOP

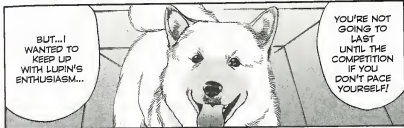


IT'S
USELESS IF
YOU CAN'T
KEEP GOOD
TIMING!

YOU'RE
LATE
CLICKING
THE
CLICKER!

OH.
I...I'M
SORRY
...

SUGUR-
CHAN!



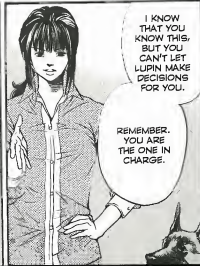
BUT...I
WANTED TO
KEEP UP
WITH LUPIN'S
ENTHUSIASM...

YOU'RE NOT
GOING TO
LAST
UNTIL THE
COMPETITION
IF YOU
DON'T PACE
YOURSELF!



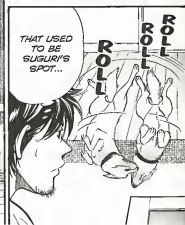
LUPIN MUST
FEEL GOOD
ABOUT GETTING
INSTRUCTIONS
FROM YOU.

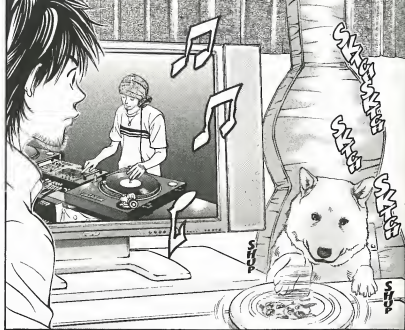
Y...YES,
MA'AM.



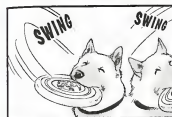
I KNOW
THAT YOU
KNOW THIS,
BUT YOU
CAN'T LET
LUPIN MAKE
DECISIONS
FOR YOU.

REMEMBER.
YOU ARE
THE ONE IN
CHARGE.





WHAT'S THIS...?



INUBAKA



READY TO GO (END)

From Kang Hee Jin-san in Korea

Pol-kun (Miniature schnauzer)

We've received a photo from a dog maniac from our neighboring country, Korea! He smiles as soon as he sees a camera. His loveliness comes through the picture, and he looks pretty cool in his outfit too!



Yukiya Sakuragi

Wow! What a great schnauzer photo from a reader of the Korean version of *Inubaka*! His excellent posture along with the awesome outfit makes him look so sharp! This confirms that "Crazy for Dogs" is universal! (lol)

From Yoshida-san in Tokyo Prefecture

Takko-chan (Welsh corgi)

Born in Hokkaido, Takko-chan has only recently moved to Tokyo. Perhaps she misses the cold air in Hokkaido because she loves eating ice cubes and taking naps on the cool wooden floors. Takko-chan, I hope you had a good summer in Tokyo. Stay well!



Yukiya Sakuragi

Welcome to Tokyo all the way from the northern land! The summers in Tokyo can be pretty brutal. Dogs have a higher body temperature to begin with, so it's important to take precautions. My dogs love ice cubes too. They eat a ton of them during the summer. But as long as she gets through this summer, she'll be fine for summers to come.

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From Ooya-san in Tokyo Prefecture

Riku-kun (Shiba)

Rikurkun is all about learning new tricks these days. He can now walk a little on his hind legs, shake hands, and then shake the other hand, etc. The picture was taken while he was training to wait with food on his nose. (Same as Aru in vol. 2) I wonder if he was successful?



Yukiya Sakuragi

He looks very smart for a puppy. He must be learning so many tricks so that he can spend lots of happy moments with his owner. I see a "Crazy for Dogs" lifestyle for years to come.

From Nakata-san in Hyogo Prefecture

Chappie-chan (Shih tzu)

She loves the cart so much that once she's in it she's there for a while. She must have been happy this day, enjoying the cherry blossoms.



Yukiya Sakuragi

So her favorite place to be is the cart. Her looking right into the camera is so cute! We've just welcomed a shih tzu into our home. He's a very rambunctious boy. Chappie-chan seems so calm and sweet...

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 KANGIE!!

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 THAT'S
 COOL!

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